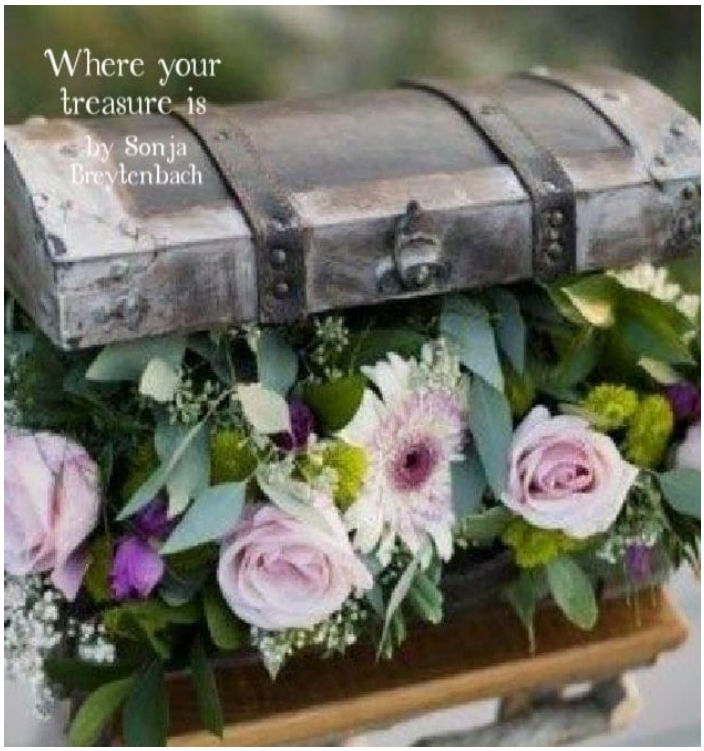

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Where your treasure is by Sonja Breytenbach

Hebrews 13:5

5.Let your conversation

be without covetousness; and

be content with such things as ye

Have: for he hath said, I will never

Leave thee, not forsake thee.

Chapter 1

Addison Ray woke up early the sun was shining into her room. Addison went to the bathroom she had a very big spa bath with jets in. She poured in lots of bubble bath and got in and relaxed. Nothing worried her and nothing chased her. She could take her time. Addison got out of the bath two hours

later and put on a apron and slippers and left for the mall.

Addison never knew what she will wear that day. When she got in the clothing store. She decided on a pink frilly skirt, and pink Gucci top with pink Gucci shoes. She chose a nice pair of golden hooped earrings and a Diamond wrist band, and a cute purple big handbag to go with the outfit. It will suit her purple and blue hair. She put all her stuff she wanted in a shopping bag with her apron and slippers in it, and left the store.

Yes, Addison didn’t even pay for any of the items she took.

She went back home and got dressed. Not at all in a hurry. At 23 years old this was Addison's daily routine.

Addison lived in a Free World.

She could go wherever she liked, take whatever she liked in the shops, and eat out or buy whatever groceries she wanted. It was all for free.

No payment was needed for anything. Addison didn't know what a payment system even was. It was unheard of in the Free World she lived in. She still had a job but she never got paid a salary, there where no money in this World she lived in.

Addison was a Marketing Assistant. She worked whenever she wanted in her day, but it must be during the day that she worked. Addison's boss didn't even mind if Addison came in to work only for an hour, as long as she came into work. She had a four weeks vacation a year.

Addison looked nice at work today and her work colleagues complimented Addison on what she chose to wear.

Addison felt hungry, so she went to the Cafeteria. She chose two bagels with cream cheese, an apple and two Chocolate muffins and a strong coffee. She ate and cleaned up after herself and started working. Addison never

worried about her weight. There were a free 24 hour fitness gym, and slimming tablets were given for free at the pharmacy in Town. Transport and gas was all for free. The Free World Addison Ray lived in was called Sunshine.

Addison got off an hour later. She went to her friends house for a barbeque. Addison so hoped she will meet her future husband soon.

Her best friend Melanie had met her husband at a bowling alley. Everywhere Addison looked people were in love. Addison wanted a boyfriend so bad.

It’s like the men never took notice of her, no matter what guy she talked to.

Melanie had a beautiful Penthouse with a swimming pool and Jacuzzi in Sunshine.

Melanie was the Marketing Manager and her husband Allan was the coach of the school basket team.

Addison put her bag on the coffee table and called out to her friend “ Melanie”

Melanie came into the living room she had short blonde hair, wearing a silver Prada dress and a pair of Silver pumps, she had a string of big pearls on her neck and a handful of rings on her fingers.

Melanie’s nails were done a silver color.

“I had my nails done today do you like it?” she told Addison

“It’s lovely” Addison said.

“How are you doing, what’s new?” Melanie asked

They both walked to the swimming pool, Addison smelled the delicious smell of steaks on the grill

“I have lost 4 pounds can you tell?” Addison said.

“Yes, I can see there’s a difference” Melanie said

“Honey be so kind and give me and Addison a rose martini” Melanie said.

“I have to introduce you to Allan’s friend he is a school teacher.” Melanie said.

Addison saw a man with blonde hair, he was in his early thirties. He had glasses on and a grey hat. His name was Tom, they talked for a while but it was like Tom had nothing to talk about. He bored her and Addison think she bored him too. She ate her steak and drank her rose martini and decided she will go for a Swedish massage now.

Addison said goodbye to her friend and left for her massage in her Silver Mercedes bens

Chapter 2

In Sunshine,poverty is a thing unheard of. Everybody had everything they wanted. There was no homeless people. Everybody, had houses,condos or penthouses. You could choose only one place to stay when you turned 20 and that is your home till the day you die. Addison chose a 5 bedroom house for herself with a swimming pool, she wanted a big family.

As she drove into her garage coming from the spa she thought about going away for a while. Maybe her Mr. Right will be at a Holiday Resort or something. Her vacation time is coming

up in two weeks. She will be off for 4 weeks. Addison felt excited.

The next day Addison went to the local bakery she chose a Soy Latte and a Croissant and a cheesecake. She went to the travel agency and booked herself a flight to Dream Resort for two weeks time. Addison went to to work then. She ate a chicken and mushroom pie and gravy and had a soda,

After work she went to the mall. She decided for herself new luggage and new clothes and 3 swimming costumes and underwear. She chose for herself sunglasses, flip flops a top of the range camera, a new selfie stick and sun tanning lotions and makeup, and

perfume. Addison was exhausted after her day of shopping and had to carry everything into her house by herself, it was hard work. She fell on her bed and fell asleep.

Addison worked hard at the gym the next few days. She wanted to look good in her swimming costume. She went to the salon and had her hair made brown, she let a makeup artist do her makeup and she went to the cinemas with her girlfriends.

Chapter 3

Two weeks passed quickly. Addison ate at a Italian restaurant, then she was on her flight to Dream Resort. She got shampagne and oysters on the flight.

The latest magazines where available on request and she read them. It was a 12 hour flight.

Dream Resort was beautiful, the sea was turquoise of color it was inviting and it was a nice warm day.

Addison unpacked her luggage in her cabin she booked that had the best ocean views.

She laid on the pool chair by the pool and drank cocktails that a waiter brought her and snacks to eat.

She wore her purple Roxy swim suit and a white beach hat on.

Later on still on the pool chair she thought to herself that maybe her

friends should have come on holiday with her. She felt lonely, everywhere she was seeing couples on the beach. Why was it so easy for them to find someone? She never had someone, Addison longed for someone to talk to so she went and sat at the bar. There was a black bartender she spoke to him about his job and it also went the boring root, but he mentioned something that she will do tomorrow.

She will go hiking, she heard from the bartender there are beautiful views and she was sure there would be a hot athletic guy there who could actually entertain her.

Chapter 4

Addison woke up the next day she had breakfast served near the pool. She chose a pair of khaki leggings and a gray Nike T-shirt with a gray knitted jersey, and gray Nike sneakers.

She tied her hair up and packed her backpack that she chose from the Resort shop full of snacks and other stuff and headed off to the hiking trail.

She had a map and a compass with her. She has never done something like this on her own, she was sure she could do it.

After a while of hiking she sat down on a rock and drank water from her bottle

and ate her snacks. The views where beautiful around her already.

You could see green mountains and trees and blue ocean all around her. She got up and after a while of walking the steep uphill her knitted jersey got caught on something. It was a bush. After a few attempts it came loose, that is when she saw it through the bush. There was a swirl like thing, it looked like a small tornado, for some unknown reason Addison wanted a closer look. Addison got closer and the tornado like thing sucked Addison in. Everything was spinning at a very high speed.

Chapter 5

Addison got spit out of the tornado where was she? Is this a dream? This is not Dream Resort. This place was dirty it had trash lying everywhere, at home all her rubbish would disintegrate if you throw something in the bin. There where a strong smell of sewage in the air. Addison had never smelled anything like it. It was night time. For the first time ever she felt scared. What place is this? She walked down the street the road was cracked and had potholes everywhere. Not knowing what to do she walked down the street. A man dressed in rags with a trolley, with what she could tell for

some unknown reason was his only belongings walked past in front of her.

“Hey lovey” someone else called from behind her. She knew she had to walk fast now, this was not Sunshine where she was now. She started crying. After coming around a corner she saw an open Supermarket. She went inside.

She chose for herself a soda and a packet of cookies and a packet of crisps. Addison walked out of the shop.

“Stop that woman, she is a thief!”

A man came and grabbed Addison on her shoulder.

Addison’s heart jumped.

“You didn’t pay for those!” he shouted

What was he so angry about. Addison began to cry uncontrollably.

“You keep her there!” the guy that must be the shop owner called from the door.

“I am calling the police”

After a while the Police came and they put her in a holding cell. In Sunshine there was no prisons or cops.

She sat confused in the holding cell crying because she didn’t know what she did wrong.

The black cop in charge of nightshift asked Addison where she was from.

Addison told him she was from Sunshine.

Maybe this one was on a trip or something the cop thought to himself, he had seen many young girls stealing for drugs before.

There where no place called Sunshine in Johannesburg, South Africa. The girl kept on crying and crying she seemed scared. She wore expensive clothes and shoes.

The cop couldn’t stand the crying to be honest.

“Okay, I’ll let you go but no more thievery, if I catch you here again it’s prison for you young lady.” the cop said.

Chapter 6

Addison got out. Missing the holding cell already it was better than being out on the streets. She didn’t know why people where treating her this way.

She walked till she saw a gas station. She went inside the shop. She took a water and a pizza bread and walked nearly out of the door. When a man tapped her on her shoulder.

“Please miss, let me pay for you. Thieving is not the way to go.”

The man took her things and went to pay for it at the pay point.

The guy had red hair and green eyes.

He had freckles on his cheeks. She never learned the word thank you, where she came from no one said it.

Addison told him that he is the first person to be nice to her that day. Addison asked the man what the word pay meant.

Not understanding how this lady could not understand what it meant to pay for something. He chose to be polite and tell her it meant you don’t get

things for free. He told her about currencies and you had to work to earn money to be able to buy clothes,food and housing.

“Are you homeless?” the man asked.

“I have a home in Sunshine, but don’t know how to get back there.” Addison told him.

“I don’t know where that is, but I am part of an organization that helps homeless people find jobs and homes.

He also told her he was a social worker.

“You can stay there for a while, maybe someone can help you with a lift to Sunshine? It is not far from here, let’s go.” the man said.

Chapter 7

Addison walked and ate her pizza bread. She was so hungry. After 3 blocks of walking they came to a multiple story building. He showed her up the steps. Addison saw a big open space with just mats on the floor and people sleeping on it. Addison was shocked. How could they treat people in such a manner. Not knowing that this was seen as being treated good by people.

“Maggie this is.” The man asked Addison her name then.

“I’m Addison Ray” she said.

“I am Jaden van Jaarsveld he told her.” Jaden gave her a nice smile.

“Help me hand out the water bottles.”Jaden said.

Addison never knew people could suffer like this, she took what she had for granted. Never knowing she had life easy, she always thought she had it difficult.

Jaden and Addison sat on plastic chairs. “We need to get you a pair of other shoes. Those will disappear of your feet.”Jaden looked at her gray Nike

shoes. People steal a lot in this part of Town. Addison came to know what stealing was.

He brought a pair of old looking sneakers. She didn't want to wear those but she had no choice.

"I'll keep these safe for you" Jaden said about Addison's Nike shoes.

"How is it you ended up here?" Jaden asked her.

"I went hiking and got caught up in a tornado and ended here."

Jaden laughed.

Maggie joined in.

"I am glad you have a sense of humor." Jaden told her.

“Maggie have you ever heard of a place called Sunshine?”

“No never.” Maggie said looking deep in thought.

“We need to get a map” Jaden said.

“I have one.” Jaden saw Addison pick up and open her backpack.

Addison looked inside, there was a compass, map a camera and a bottle of water inside with cereal bar wrappers. She ate her snacks while she was on the hiking trail at Dream Resort. She took the map and gave it to Jaden. He looked it over.

“I have never seen such a map before, It’s like the world is one continent. It

had different places and Towns but he had never seen such a thing. Where was Johannesburg on this map? What about Cape Town, Sydney nothing he knew that's on a world map was on this map.

"Where did you get this map?" Jaden asked.

"from Dream Resort" Addison said.

"are you even on planet earth?" Jaden asked thinking she printed a map she made herself, but why and for what reason would she make such a funny World map with funny names? Something is off with this girl.

“I live in Sunshine not earth.” Addison started to notice she was in another place called earth. She started to cry again. How was she going to get back home if she was in another world?

Jaden gave her a hug, he felt really sorry for the girl, she seemed lost.

Maybe she knocked her head or something but then again how do you explain the weird map she was carrying around. The girl seemed so innocent to him.

“Do you have any family or friends we can contact for you?” Jaden asked her.

She only had friends, she wrote down Melanie’s number.

“That’s not the right number” Jaden said.

“44321## is not a normal contact number, it won’t work. Telephone numbers in Johannesburg start with a 0 and has 10 digits. Do you have an I.D document?” Jaden asked feeling very concerned. He was used to people talking nonsense and people that don’t have documentation. He didn’t know what to do in her case, she didn’t seem to be on something. And he could tell she was honest as she could be.

Addison told him she was very tired and he told her she could sleep. Addison was exhausted, emotionally too.

Chapter 8

The next day Jaden and Addison was sitting at tables eating pap and meat. Jaden saw she was not used to such food. Addison told him she never had anything like it. He laughed when he saw her reaction to eating the pap the first time with her hands. Addison came to like it. Maggie came in and gave Jaden a world map and he looked at it. He looked it over and after a few moments said there is no place like Sunshine on the World map he showed Addison. Addison felt scared. She didn’t know what was going to happen

to her now. Jaden knew he had to get Addison help. After eating he asked Addison if she had a job in Sunshine. Addison told him she was a Marketing Assistant. Jaden seemed pleased. He said that it will help open a door for her and that he can help her find a job and a place to rent if she give him a few months time. He also told her he will help her apply for an I.D document. Addison agreed she knew she had nowhere to go.

Addison came to care for the people around her, everyday she would help in the kitchen and help give out water bottles to the people. She came to know that she had it good when she

thought she had it bad in the past, she knew that she had been spoilt, and that she was ungrateful she took what she had for granted. These emotions where all new to Addison.

Two and a half months later Addison heard the good news from Jaden that they had found her a job as a Marketing Assistant and a place close by her place of work to stay. Her salary is R8500.She will be leaving in 3 days. Addison felt overjoyed.

The apartment Addison moved into was a bachelor flat, it had a small kitchen with a stove and a small bathroom with a shower and toilet and wash basin. It had no furnishings.

Addison was given by Jaden her food and toiletries for one month,with a sleeping mat and a blanket and he put electricity on for her on her prepaid meter he showed Addison how to do it. He told her that her deposit for the flat is paid. He gave Addison the keys and showed her how to lock a door because she asked him. Addison never had to lock a door before in her life. He then took her to the bank to open a bank account, once opened he showed her how to draw money at an ATM. He paid a R100 into her account.This was all so much for Addison to take in she was worried but she was a fast learner and knew she had to learn a lot of

things now. Jaden left then and Addison went to shower and she drifted off into an exhausted sleep she was used to lay on the floor on the mat by now.

Chapter 9

Addison started to work the next day. Everything was new to her she was nervous.

On the day she was paid she draw money at the ATM and walked to where the Landlord lived she got his address from Jaden.

She knocked twice at the door and a man with black hair and the most

beautiful blue eyes she had ever seen opened the door. She told him she was his tenant Addison Ray he introduced himself as Alex Richard. He invited her inside and made her coffee he was fun for Addison to be around. He made jokes and he made her laugh. She enjoyed every minute with him.

“Addison I had a nice afternoon with you, will you please go on a coffee date with me over this weekend?”

“I would love to. What place and time and day?”

He told her and she left smiling broadly thinking about his blue eyes.

One coffee date became another and Addison was head over heels in love with Alex.

Three years later Addison was walking back from Alex over a weekend. When she saw in the road in front of her the swirl tornado like thing.

Addison stopped walking. It was as if the swirl tornado thing asked her if she wanted to go back to Sunshine. She knew that this was her chance to go back home but was it home to her now? Alex was here how could she leave him now? She never met anyone like Alex. He never bored her. As if the swirl tornado thing knew her answer it disappeared.

Chapter 10

Three weeks later Alex and Addison had a picnic under the stars on top of a hill overlooking Johannesburg city. All Addison could see around her was city lights it was breathtaking. Alex got on one knee and said:

“ I know we haven’t known each other for that long but when I am with you I feel like I have known you for ever, please be wife Addison, I love you”

“Yes I will be your wife” Addison said thrilled.

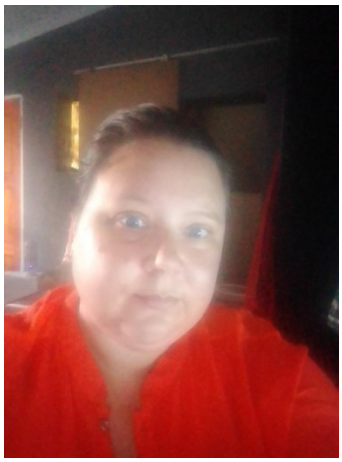
They kissed then and he put a ring on her finger.

Six months later Addison and Alex where married they had two daughters later on.

Addison got promoted two years later after she and Alex married to Marketing manager.

She never regretted not going back to Sunshine.

The end.



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